

**ARIZONA COMPREHENSIVE CANCER CONTROL (AZ CCC)**  
**RESEARCH COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**  
**March 1, 2007**  
**12:00 pm – 1:00 pm**  
**TGen Board Room**

**In Attendance**

Barbara Kavanagh, John Carpten, Tim Flood, Kay Kays, Joy Knowles; Scott Leischow; Zeenat Mahal; Jesse Nodora; Kim Fielding, Erin Peacock; Sharon Jaycox, Kendra Sabol

**Cancer Network Analysis**

Scott Leischow presented an update of the Cancer Network Analysis. He explained that it is important to look at cancer from a systems research method. A functional network describes which organizations are engaged in research and how they are linked. It is important to extend linkages between researchers and practice. Keith Provan has created a basic questionnaire that is currently being reviewed by an IRB Board. The goal is to submit the questionnaire to organizations and to collect Information.

**Tissue Banking Assessment**

Tim Flood presented an update on the Tissue Banking Assessment.

**Patient Advocacy**

Barbara Kavanagh gave a brief update on the Patient Advocacy Program.

Dr. Carpten expressed a need for a mechanism to link with the Health Disparities Committee, particularly in the area of clinical trials.

Kim Peacock explained that the goal of the meeting today is to review the goals and strategies and a way to measure if the strategies are successful. Kim Peacock reported that it is important to look at underlying causes. Volunteers to be on this committee are Jesse Nordora, Kay Kays, and Tim Flood.

**Educational Conference**

The Arizona Myeloma Network (AzMN) will be partnering with the Comprehensive Cancer Control Coalition for a "Living with Myeloma " conference on March 31, 2007 in Tucson.

**Miscellaneous**

Scott Leischow suggested that consideration be given to reframing the term "Research" into something less threatening to the public; ie "Discovery".

**Next Meeting**

Thursday, March 22, 2007 from 12:00 noon – 1:00 pm at TGen.